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Week Ending	RANGE PER CWT. Av. Price
May 17	22.82
May 24	21.80
May 31	20.72
June 7	20.16
June 14	18.53
June 21	18.95
June 28	19.55
July 5	18.79
July 12	19.34
July 19	19.85
July 26	19.49
Aug. 2	17.44
Aug. 9	16.95
Aug. 16	18.46
Aug. 23	18.89
Aug. 30	17.59
Sept. 6	17.99
Sept. 13	16.95
Sept. 20	17.01
Sept. 27	16.60
Oct. 4	16.11
Oct. 11	14.95
Oct. 18	16.44
Oct. 25	16.02
Nov. 1	15.72
Nov. 8	15.83
Nov. 15	15.92
Nov. 22	15.03
Nov. 29	14.74
Dec. 6	15.71
Dec. 13	15.49
Dec. 20	17.86
Dec. 27	13.00—23.00

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KAISER, PREDICTING BIG WAR, WARNS CZAR AGAINST FRANCE

Letter in 1895 Denounces "WILLY-NICKY" LETTERS
Republicanism as a Common Foe.

Fears Nicholas Will Be Held Responsible When Conflict Comes.

This is the second installment of letters from William II of Germany to Nicholas II of Russia, brought to America by Isaac Don Levine, correspondent of The Star and the Chicago Daily News, who had access to the secret archives of the Russian soviet government. The Kaiser continues his policy of trying to keep Russia from becoming a close friend of France by republicanism, which he says, is simply revolution, and tries to turn the attention of the czar to the need of combating what he calls "the yellow peril." By his suggestions to Nicholas he tried to make him look askance at any deviation from the strict principles of autocracy.

Warns Czar Against France.
"Dear Nicholas," my uncle, the emperor, referring to the kind and sympathetic way in which you received him, has written himself quite won by your manner, and was profoundly impressed by your knowledge of the political situation and the quiet and calm manner with which you judged the questions of interest. He also told me that you expressed the wish that I should continue the custom, which we have begun, of writing to you if I thought there was anything of the far east, especially its danger to Europe and our Christian faith, is a matter which has been greatly on my mind ever since we made our first move together in spring. At last my thoughts developed into a certain form, and this I sketched on paper. I worked it out with an artist—a first-class draftsman—and after it was finished had it engraved for public use. It shows the powers of Europe represented by their respective emblems called together by the Archangel Michael, who comes from heaven to unite in resisting the inroad of Buddhism, heathenism and barbarism for the defense of the cross. Stress is especially laid on the united resistance of all European powers, which is just as necessary also against our common internal foe, anarchism, republicanism, nihilism. I venture to send you an engraving, begging you to accept it as a token of my warm and sincere friendship to you and Russia.

Assures France Is Hostile.
"In the midst of these peaceful occupations and the quiet which I feel the French chamber's budget committee, in discussing the military budget, propose to recall the 19th Corps (Alger and Tunis), and to form a new continental corps on my western frontier. This recall has only been done once before in 1870, when France made war on us. Such a project, in the deepest times of peace, has fallen like a thunderbolt on Germany and has created a deep feeling of alarm. This has been deepened by the fact that the proposal became publicly known the moment after Prince Louis-ferdinand, dramatic of the official assistance (attended) the review of the French 'border army' on the frontier and the French press, in the enthusiasm of the border people, are telling us since weeks, in the hope for the first rush on our borders in the revanche (revenge) war. It is already four corps strong, against my two (15th and 16th) corps. It is proposed new corps would increase the already overwhelming French force to five corps and constitute a threat as well as a serious danger to my country. I, of course, upon this I must begin to take matters seriously. For this event, happening in the moment your officers are being decorated and Lobanoff is being attached to our ears were greeted with not over-credible remarks, has made people uneasy here and given rise to an ugly look, as if Russia would like France to be offensive against Germany, with the hopes of help from the first named. Such a serious danger would cause me to strongly increase my army, to be able to cope with such fearful odds. Heavy as the financial strain would weigh on us, my people would never waver a moment to guarantee their security should this be necessary. I perfectly know that you

CARNIVAL MONDAY NIGHT IS PLANNED BY SKATERS

Indications That, Under Present Weather Conditions, Tidal Basin Ice Will Continue Serviceable.

With freezing weather still predominating and with every indication that the ice of the tidal basin will continue for some time, plans are under way for a skating carnival there Monday night. Following the announcement of Gordon Leach, superintendent of the bathing beach, that skating would be allowed on the basin last night, more than 2,000 persons were in attendance and remained until a late hour. If the cold weather continues, Mr. Leach has planned to have the beach open for skating from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m.

On the duck ponds at the Zoo also there were many skaters yesterday and again today.

The present cold weather is expected to continue for several days, according to the weather bureau. The lowest temperature reached was at 8 o'clock this morning, when it fell to 10 below zero, and it is expected to be higher tomorrow morning, with possibility of a light snowfall.

The change in the temperature, however, it was stated, will not be material.

D. C. SOUTHERN SOCIETY ELECTS NEW MEMBERS

Resolutions Adopted and Addresses Made at Meeting Held Prior to Ball.

A meeting of the Southern Society of Washington was held last night prior to the ball given in the New Willard. Addresses were delivered by Claude W. Bennett, past president of the society; Dr. Charles J. Owens, president, and D. W. Ross of California. Resolutions were adopted in memory of Representative Atlee E. Estlin of Louisiana, J. Willard Ragsdale of South Carolina and Col. John G. Capers, one of the founders of the society. The following were elected to membership in the society: Stewart Territt of Virginia, Claude Livingston, Georgia; Henry Clay Scott, Kentucky; Henry M. Fowler of Washington, Samuel F. Lyle, North Carolina, and Mrs. Mae Agnes Collins of Louisiana.

North Dakota May Own Industries

BISMARCK, N. D., January 2.—The North Dakota state supreme court has held constitutional the state laws providing for a state industrial program. The decision validates bond issues for the inauguration and maintenance of state-owned industries and enterprises within the scope of the program.

"WILLY-NICKY" LETTERS REGARDED IN BERLIN OF "GREAT HISTORIC VALUE"

Special Telegram to The Star and Chicago Daily News, Copyright, 1920.

BERLIN, Germany, January 1, via Copenhagen, Denmark, January 2.—The Kaiser's letters, which today began the publication of the "Willy-Nicky" letters, brought from Moscow by Isaac Don Levine, says: "The letters from Kaiser Wilhelm to Czar Nicholas are without doubt of great historic value. They reveal besides other things, that the plan to bring about a close understanding between Germany, Russia and France as a defensive alliance not only existed but very nearly became a fact. The Kaiser favored the plan, but his writings to the czar show again and again that through his lack of political foresight and inability to judge men and to see the interests of his country this sound plan became a worthless plaything of the Kaiser's whims. He meant so much to Germany was never carried out, because the Kaiser underestimated the political importance of Japan, was absolutely in the dark as to France's political aims and distrustful of foreign statesmen who were not 'princes or emperors.'"

The letters are particularly interesting as they serve to illustrate the Kaiser's personality. His character, as it appears from his writings, is delineated most clearly and in greater detail than by anything ever made public before. His writings reveal his character as a curious mixture of likable frankness that sometimes became almost bluntness, and a certain moderate self-confidence, mental agility and a tendency toward childish playfulness. He was quick in his judgments and sometimes by mere chance, hit the nail on the head. Important things and crises were honestly judged. "When the Russo-Japanese war started the Kaiser did not forget the present of soldiers' caps to the czar." And how apostolical was the Kaiser's advice to his cousin Nicholas to give up a political nature. The great chance had been passed by—the inevitable was rapidly approaching.

personally do not dream of attacking us, but still you cannot be astonished that the European powers get alarmed, seeing how the officials in your offices and high officials in official way in France, the innumerable Frenchman into a white-hot passion and strengthen the cause of chauvinism and revenge!

Draws Forecast of War.
"God knows that I have done all in my power to preserve the European peace, but if France goes on openly or secretly encouraged like this to violate all rules of international law and peace in peace times, one fine day, my dearest Nicky, you will find yourself surrounded suddenly embroiled in the most horrible of wars Europe ever saw! Which will be the masses and by history perhaps tonight, not quite so cold, moderate to you as my friend to write openly, as the seclusion and retirement the deep mourning has imposed upon you, dear you from seeing people and following in detail what is happening behind the scenes. "I have some experience of politics, and see certain unmistakable symptoms of a future war. I hasten to you, my friend, to plead in the name of the peace of Europe: if you are allied for better, for worse with the French, well, then, keep those damned ravens in order and make them sit still; if not, then don't let your men who go to France to fight in Europe, instead of being allied and get reckless and turn their heads to the east! Think of the awful responsibility for the shocking bloodshed! Now, good-bye, dearest Nicky, best love to dear Alex and his ever your most devoted and faithful friend and cousin, "WILLY (I. R.)."

(The above letter shows how the Kaiser viewed the friendship between France and Russia in 1895. He talks of holding Nicholas responsible should a war occur in Europe—tactics pursued nineteen years after this letter was written. The signature is odd, the usual informal "Willy" is followed by "I. R."—for imperator rex (emperor king)—the letters usually attached to his formal signatures.)

(To be continued.)

BERGER SPEAKS DESPITE WARNING FROM LEGION

Socialist Tells Bostonians Russia's Kind of Government Is Her Own Business.

BOSTON, January 3.—Victor L. Berger, socialist congressman-elect from Wisconsin, gave an address here last night after those in charge of the meeting had been warned by the state convention of the American Legion that any "un-American" statements might have "serious consequence." Many former service men attended the meeting, and there were numerous interruptions, but there was no actual disorder. Berger's reference to the "25,000 voters who sent me to Congress" brought a cry of "You mean 25,000 Germans!"

"I never expect to be a bolshevik," he said. "It's none of our business what kind of a government Russia has."

A number of Department of Justice agents were in the audience.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., January 3.—Victor L. Berger, who postponed his speech here last night with the understanding that he would speak in the city at a later date, will not be allowed to make a public address here, according to a decision announced today by Walter A. Presbey, chairman of police commission. After conferences with Mayor Gainer and the city solicitor on a protest filed by Providence Post of the American Legion the commission issued a statement reviewing Berger's record, and asserting that "to allow him to make an address in public here would permit him to further assail American institutions, beset our peace and disturb the peace of the state."

The statement added: "We have decided to do everything in our power to prevent Victor L. Berger or speakers of similar type from addressing public gatherings in Providence."

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Secretary Baker Would Make Factory of Nitrate Plant.

Expenditure by the federal government of an additional \$12,000,000 to construct an air nitrate plant at Muscle Shoals, Ala., into a commercial fertilizer factory was urged by Secretary Baker before a House subcommittee investigating War Department expenditures yesterday. Operation of this converted sulphuric acid plant as a quasi-public corporation with all the stock held by the government was suggested by the Secretary. Mr. Baker explained that the \$12,000,000 estimate for changing the product to sulphate included only \$3,000,000 for the plant, the remainder being for working capital. The committee has begun an investigation of air nitrate plants erected by the government, and plans to visit the various plants.

"WILLY" TO "NICKY."

Berlin 1st 1905
Dearest Nicky.
The arrival of old Prince Antoine Radivill, Prince Marie, is going to Petersburg to beg for your approval of her late husband's will. Prince Antoine was not only a cherished & trusted servant of my deceased grandfather as his adjutant & adjutant general, but also a faithful & beloved personal friend to him, as well as to my late beloved father & to me. His winning ways & his gay nature as well as his chivalrous character won him friends wherever he was, & your grandfather & father have both always cherished him. His arrival is the intimate long-life friend of my late mother, & has been made tentative by her husband for his will. The whole future of her children & family rests on the fact of your kind approval of the will, & I venture

predictions & even learnt your language & will in no way be of any hindrance to your generals, as he is a quiet man, as the army is large & powerful I think that it does not matter if he goes, so I venture again to ask whether you can permit him to go. With kindest wishes for both of you with all these matters, but they are better arranged between yourself & best love to Alex & remain
Your most aff. cousin & friend
Willy.

Facsimile of first and last pages of one of the letters in the correspondence of Kaiser William II to Czar Nicholas II, from photograph from original by Isaac Don Levine.

THE WEATHER.

The District of Columbia—Partly cloudy tonight and tomorrow; probably cold; lowest temperature tonight about 14 degrees; moderate west and southwest winds.

Maryland—Partly cloudy tonight and tomorrow; probably snow flurries late tonight; not quite so cold; moderate west and southwest winds.

Virginia—Partly cloudy tonight and tomorrow; probably snow and not quite so cold tonight; tomorrow fair.

Records for Twenty-Four Hours.
The following were the readings of the thermometer and barometer at the weather bureau for the twenty-four hours beginning at 2 p.m. yesterday:
Thermometer—Yesterday, 4 p.m., 26; 5 p.m., 25; 12 midnight, 20; today, 4 a.m., 2; 8 a.m., 9; Maximum, 27, at 3:30 p.m. yesterday; minimum, 9, at 8 a.m. today.

Temperature same date last year—Maximum, 35; minimum, 21.

Barometer—Yesterday, 30.29; today, 30.02; 12 midnight, 30.20; today, 4 a.m., 30.29; 8 a.m., 30.35.

Tide Tables.
(Compiled by United States coast and geodetic survey.)

Today—Low tide, 11:49 a.m.; high tide, 5:16 a.m. and 5:50 p.m.

Tomorrow—Low tide, 12:43 a.m. and 12:50 p.m.; high tide, 6:19 a.m. and 6:49 p.m.

The Sun and Moon.

Today—Sun rose, 7:27 a.m.; sun sets, 4:57 p.m.

Tomorrow—Sun rises, 7:27 a.m.; sun sets, 4:55 p.m.

Moon rises, 2:58 p.m.; sets, 4:51 a.m. Automobile lights to be lighted one-half hour after sunset.

Weather in Various Cities.

Stations.	Temperature.	Wind.	State of weather.	
Athens, Tex.	30.24	52	26	Cloudy
Albany	30.04	29	10	Cloudy
Baltimore	30.04	29	10	Clear
Boston	30.04	29	10	Clear
Buffalo	30.12	6	2	Cloudy
Chicago	30.20	52	30	Cloudy
Cincinnati	30.36	2	—	Pt. cloudy
Cleveland	30.42	18	2	Cloudy
Denver	30.32	10	0.02	Cloudy
El Paso	30.14	58	42	Cloudy
Galveston	30.38	56	48	Clear
Houston	30.38	56	48	Clear
Jacksonville	30.32	36	34	Clear
Kansas City	30.20	52	30	Cloudy
Los Angeles	29.96	74	58	Cloudy
Louisville	30.42	28	10	Cloudy
Miami	30.14	58	0.01	Clear
New Orleans	30.38	54	42	Clear
New York	30.04	29	10	Clear
Oakland	30.32	58	28	Clear
Pittsburgh	30.28	26	10	Clear
Portland, Ore.	30.20	52	30	Cloudy
Portland, Me.	30.32	44	32	Clear
Salt Lake C.	30.42	30	18	Cloudy
San Antonio	30.38	52	30	Clear
San Diego	30.94	72	56	Rain
St. Francisco	30.32	29	10	Cloudy
St. Louis	30.32	29	10	Cloudy
St. Paul	30.32	29	10	Cloudy
WASH., D.C.	30.32	27	9	Clear

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EXPERTS TO PROBE CLOTHING PRICES

Department of Justice Assigns Investigators to Work in the District.

Investigation of prices of men's and women's clothing is to be started within a few days, it was announced by the fair price committee today. The Department of Justice, it was stated, has assigned a number of its trained expert investigators to do the work. The committee has the duty of ascertaining whether or not local merchants are charging reasonable prices for such goods or if their profits are excessive.

Reason for Delay in Inquiry.

It was stated at the office of the fair price committee in the Department of Justice today that the probe of retail clothing prices has been delayed until now for the reason that the committee had no expert investigators who could be assigned to the work. At the committee's rooms it also was stated that so far not one complaint had been received of alleged excessive prices for retail meat dealers, aside from a few reports made by members of the meat subcommittee themselves. (Unless purchases report instances of retail profiteering the committee can do nothing. If such reports are made to the committee they will be investigated promptly and if facts warrant, the information will be lodged with the United States district attorney for prompt action.)

Jurisdiction Over Sugar Limited.

The local fair price committee, it was stated, has no jurisdiction in the local sugar situation except to investigate reports of alleged profiteering in sugar and to lodge information with the United States district attorney. The committee has nothing whatever to say as to supplies of sugar allocated to Washington, nor can it attempt to fix a retail price for sugar. These matters, it was stated, are in the hands of the equalization board, with headquarters in New York.

Howard Figg, special assistant to the Attorney General, is in general charge of investigations of alleged unfair retail prices for sugar. Mr. Figg is co-operating with the fair price committee, but so far no action of any kind has been taken to prevent the charging of alleged excessive prices or to correct other alleged improper practices such as have been severely and heavily penalized by Federal Food Administrator Killian in Baltimore and Federal Food Administrator Williams in New York.

THANKS ROCKEFELLER.

Sir Robert Borden Grateful for \$5,000,000 Gift for Canada.

OTTAWA, January 3.—Sir Robert Borden has written to John D. Rockefeller expressing his deep appreciation for Mr. Rockefeller's gift of \$5,000,000 to promote medical education in Canada. "I should like to express to you my deep appreciation for the gift, and the fact that the gift will be of the greatest value to the medical profession here, which has nobly shown its worth by its conspicuous services in the war in which your country and Canada fought as comrades in arms to preserve a common ideal. The relations between these two neighboring countries will always be inspired with the spirit that has animated your action."

STOVE IGNITES CLOTHING.

Mrs. C. E. Dyer Badly Burned, Her Daughter Slightly Injured.

Mrs. C. Emma Dyer of 2207 Shannon place, southeast, was severely burned about the face and body today when her clothing caught fire as she was passing a stove. In an endeavor to assist her mother, Miss Sadie Dyer also sustained slight burns. Mrs. Dyer was taken to Casualty Hospital, where she is reported in a serious condition.

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E STREET Y. W. C. A. POOL TO OPEN JAN. 7

The receipt of new equipment, necessary alterations thereto, and certain small repairs have resulted in the postponement of the date of the opening of the swimming pool at the E street branch of the Y. W. C. A. from January 5 to January 7.

By that time the new springboard, about the only thing still needed to make the pool perfect of its kind, and ordered some time ago, will be in place.

Registrations for swimming classes are now being received at the office of the branch, 614 E street northwest, and it is expected that several swimming meets will be scheduled for early in the month, some of them having been postponed from December on account of the fuel conservation necessary at that time.

Maj. Randall Ordered to Iowa.

Maj. William A. Randall, ordnance department, on duty in the office of the Director of Finance, War Department, has been ordered to Camp Dodge, Iowa, for duty as division finance officer.

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6:30 to 7:20 P.M. English I Latin II Typewriting Geometry	Spanish Stenography Algebra	English II Latin II	Spanish Stenography Algebra	Typewriting Geometry
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